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NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

Addendum

1. At its 613th meeting, held on 2 October 1996, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1995/32 of 25 July 1995, continued its consideration of applications from organizations of indigenous people that were interested in participating in the open-ended inter-sessional Working Group of the Commission on Human Rights to elaborate a draft declaration on the rights of indigenous peoples.

2. Statements were made by the representatives of Tunisia, the Sudan, China, Ireland, the Russian Federation, the United States of America, the Philippines, Costa Rica, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Paraguay and Indonesia.

3. Statements were also made by the observers for Canada, Peru, Kenya, Bolivia and Bangladesh.

4. At the same meeting, the Committee decided to recommend that the Economic and Social Council authorize 14 organizations of indigenous people not in consultative status with the Council to participate in the Working Group.

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5. The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decision:

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Applications for participation in the open-ended inter-sessional Working Group of the Commission on Human Rights to elaborate a draft declaration on the rights of indigenous people from organizations of indigenous people not in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council

The Economic and Social Council decides to approve the participation of the following 14 organizations of indigenous people not in consultative status with the Council in the open-ended inter-sessional Working Group whose establishment was authorized by Council resolution 1995/32:

Assembly of First Nations

Association of Northern Indigenous Peoples of the Sakha Republic (ANIP)

Centro de Servicios Comunitarios (CESERCO)

Chickasaw Nation

Confederated Tribes of the Indian Reservation

Federación de Ayllus del Sur-Oruro

Fundación Amautica Fausto Reinaga

International Alliance of Indigenous Tribal Peoples of the Tropical Forests

Na Koa Ikaika O Ka Lahui Hawaii

Organización de Mujeres Indigenas de Bolivia

Organization for Survival of the Illaikipiak Indigenous Maasai Group Initiative

Protect Kohanaiki Ohanai

Taller de Historia Oral Andina

Upper Sioux Community/Pejihutazizi Oyate